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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY.

1 WHEREAS, all signatory airlines serving Hawaii pay fees
2 that subsidize the development, operation, and maintenance of
3 the fifteen airports in the State of Hawaii Airports System; and
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5 WHEREAS, all airport revenues, whether from landing fees,
6 terminal rentals, or airport concessions go into the Airport
7 revenue fund from which all airport construction projects and
8 operations and maintenance are funded; and
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10 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Airports System also has the
11 ability to incur debt through the issuance of bonds, supported
12 by the signatory airlines' obligations; and
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14 WHEREAS, funding is also secured through the Federal
15 Aviation Administration in the form of grants for certain
16 projects and through the Passenger Facility Charge Program; and
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18 WHEREAS, all revenue generated from the airports must be
19 utilized for airport-related expenses; and
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21 WHEREAS, the time required for approval and implementation
22 of projects is excessive due to stringent and lengthy
23 appropriation, allotment, and procurement processes; and
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25 WHEREAS, the Legislature convenes once a year, which
26 prevents the Department of Transportation-Airports Division from
27 obtaining appropriations outside of the legislative session; and
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29 WHEREAS, the procurement regulations obligate the
30 Department of Transportation-Airports Division to select the low
31 bidder for construction contracts; and
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1 WHEREAS, the procurement regulations permit bidders not
2 selected for a particular contract to file protests which can
3 delay the award of the contract for years; now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth
6 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2015, the
7 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
8 Transportation is urged to develop a plan for the establishment
9 of an Airport Authority; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
12 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the
13 Department of Transportation.
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OFFERED BY:

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